ARH NEWSLETTER 26-27

13TH NOVEMBER 2026

Our weekly newsletter for all our children and families in the ARH community

A MESSAGE FROM SLT: MRS COLLEY



This week has provided opportunities for both reflection and generosity across our school. We marked Remembrance Day through assemblies and a minute's silence, giving children time to learn about and reflect on the importance of remembrance. The children showed great maturity and respect as they considered the sacrifices made by those who have served and continue to serve their country. Today, we celebrated Children in Need, with children coming to school in their own clothes and raising money for a wonderful cause. It was fantastic to see such enthusiasm for supporting others, and we are incredibly grateful for the generosity shown by our families. Thank you for your continued support in helping us nurture caring, respectful and responsible young people.

LATEST NEWS

- **Winter Wellbeing** - As the colder, darker months approach, the NHS has shared a Winter Wellbeing Pack full of helpful advice, activities and ideas to support children's mental and emotional wellbeing. It includes tips for staying positive, keeping active, managing feelings and enjoying the winter months.
- **Heights and Weights -** The School Nursing Team will be coming in to carry out the Heights and Weights checks for children in Reception and Year 6. Please refer to the attached letter and information. As soon as we have been advised of the date, we will be sure to contact you with all the details.
- **Odd Socks Day** - To kick-start Anti-Bullying Week, children are invited to wear odd socks with their usual school uniform on Monday 16th November. See here for more information.
- **Join Girlguiding -** Are you looking for fun, friendship and new adventures? Girlguiding has something for everyone. Find out more - Rainbows, Brownies, Guides. New members are always welcome!

REMINDERS

- **Condover Hall** - Year 5 parents, please be aware that Condover Hall is now open on Arbor to enable you to pay the deposit. The closing date is Monday 30th November 2026. You can find the letter here.
- **Library Competition** - Children are being asked to design a delicious recipe to share with our A.R.H. community. The deadline is Friday 20th November and the winners will win prizes and feature in our very own ARH cookbook. See the attached poster for details and speak to your child's teacher if you would like an entry form.
- **Christmas Fayre Donation Day** - We are holding a non-uniform donation day on Thursday 26th November (Wednesday 25th for Year 6). Please see the attached letter for details of what each year group is asked to donate. Thank you for your continued support and generosity. Every donation helps us raise funds for our school!
- **PE and Earrings** - All jewellery, including earrings, must be removed for P.E. lessons and sporting activities. Earrings cannot be covered with tape; please refer to the school's Jewellery Policy for full details and ensure your child is able to comply on P.E. days.

IFS SUPERSTARS

A big well done to the children across the school who have achieved our student spotlight of 'Leadership' this week. Please click here to see our superstars.

NEXT WEEK'S IFS

In class next week...



ATTENDANCE

Another week of learning, fun and making memories at school! It has been lovely to see children continuing to settle back into their routines for the second half of the autumn term.

A big well done to all our children who have been in school every day and to the families who continue to support good attendance and punctuality.

A reminder to parents and carers:

If your child is going to be absent from school, please ensure you let us know each day they are off, providing a reason for their absence. The quickest and easiest way to report an absence is through the Arbor Parent App, which allows you to notify us directly without needing to email or leave a voicemail.

Remember, every day in school counts! Regular attendance helps children learn, make progress, build friendships and grow in confidence.

SEND

As the weather begins to shift, we know that changes in temperature, light and routine can sometimes affect our children's comfort, focus and wellbeing - especially for those with additional needs. To help support your child during this period, we recommend:

- Layered clothing - easy to remove layers can help children adjust to fluctuating indoor and outdoor temperatures.
- Sensory-friendly accessories - soft gloves, hats or scarves can reduce discomfort.
- Consistent routines - maintaining familiar schedules can ease transitions, even when weather impacts activities.
- Preparation for change - talking through what to expect (e.g. rain, wind, darker mornings) can reduce anxiety.

If you notice your child struggling, please reach out to us.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- 26th November - Christmas Fayre non-uniform day (25th November for Y6)
- 25th & 30th November - Reception Open Evenings
- 2nd December - Christmas Fayre

	Parent pop-ins
Monday	Years 3, 4 and 6
Tuesday	Years 2 and 5
Wednesday	Year 1

CLUB TIMETABLE

MON	Y5 & Y6 boys' football (Performance Squad and the boys training in the Autumn sessions.) Y4 Street Dance (until Xmas Holidays)
TUES	Ensemble
WEDS	
THURS	
FRI	Y5 & Y6 girls' football

PARENTAL SUPPORT

What Parents and Educators Need to Know about WhatsApp

This guide explores WhatsApp's 2026 update, highlighting new parental controls and risks including scams, group chats, and privacy concerns.

OTHER NOTES/LINKS

- **ARH Christmas Fayre** - We are preparing for our annual Christmas Fayre and are seeking support from local businesses for our raffle. Donations of prizes, vouchers, gifts or services would be greatly appreciated and will help raise funds to provide additional opportunities and resources for pupils. Please see here for more information.
- **Safety on School Grounds** - Please take a moment to read the attached reminder about keeping children safe and supervising them whilst on school grounds.

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